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Shri P.H Kurian is an IAS officer of 1986 batch of Indian Administrative Services (IAS). Before taking over as Controller General of Patents, Designs and Trademarks on 22nd January 2009, he was a Secretary to Government of Kerala, (Industries-Investment Promotion). He holds a Master Degree in Chemistry and did research for three years in the Institute of Science, Bangalore which is one of prestigious Institutes of India . His previous assignments are as under:

Assignments in chronological order

1. Sub Collector, Kalahandi (Orissa) : Rural Development & General
2. Project Director, DRDA, Kalahandi (Orissa) Administration in the most backward region of the country.
3. Consultant, UNICEF - As Project Director of Orissa Household Food Security Project, he was heading a grass-root level development project for K.B.K. (Kalahandi-Bolangir-Koraput) Districts of Western Orissa.
4. District Collector, Idukki and Kottayam (11-10-95 to 22-9-97)
5. Labour Commissioner, Kerala (29-9-97 to 21-11-99)
6. State Project Director, DPEP, Trivandrum (23-11-99 to 7-6-2001)
7. Special Secretary (Revenue), Govt. of Kerala (8-6-2001 to 27-6-2001)
8. Managing Director, Kerala Financial Corporation (27-6-2001 to 15-5-2002)
9. Director of Industries & Commerce, Govt. of Kerala (16-5-2002 to 27.1.2005)
10. Secretary (Industries), Govt. of Kerala (1-2-2003 to 31-8-2003)
11. Secretary, Information Technology Govt. of Kerala (25-2-2005 to 5-8-2006)
Addtl charge
12. Secretary to Govt. of Kerala (Industries-IP) & Managing Director, KSIDC (1-9-2003 to 28.02.2008)
13. Managing Director Travacore Titanium Products Limited (Add charge) (16-6-2006 to 1-08-2007)
14. Secretary (Industries-IP), Govt. of Kerala (29-02-2008 onwards)

Areas of specialization and interest

After district collectorship, from 1998 onwards he was connected with various jobs relating to the field of industry, Labour Commissioner, M.D of State Financial Corporation, Director of Industries (3 years), M.D of State Industrial Development Corporation (4.5 years), Secretary to Government Industries Dept(5 years), Secretary I.T(1.5 years). This experience gave him a good exposure to various sectors of industries in Kerala, India and abroad. He has a wide network of friends in the industry both within the country and abroad. During his M.Dship of K.S.I.D.C, he has been director of many government and private companies in the infrastructure, manufacturing, tourism, and healthcare sectors.

Present Directorship

- 1 Nitta Gelatin India Ltd. (Chairman for last 4 years.)-A 150 Cr company manufacturing gelatin in pvt. Sector with N G I (Japan) as major promoter.
- 2 Kerala Electrical and Allied Industries Ltd.(chairman)- A 200 core PSU in the electrical sector.
- 3 Travencore Cochin Chemicals Ltd. (Chairman)

- 4 Travencore Titanium Products Ltd. (Chairman)
- 5 Bharath Petroleum Corporation (Director)
- 6 Kerala Industrial Development Corp (Director)
- 7 Kerala Industrial Infrastructural Developmental Corp (Director)
- 8 Kerala Minerals and Metals Ltd. (Director)
- 9 Geogit Securities Ltd (Director)

As industries secretary and I.T secretary, he has successfully negotiated many infrastructure projects in the PPP mode, which includes the smart city at Cochin and many other projects of Kerala Industrial Infrastructural Development Corporation. He has also visited about twenty countries either as leader or as member of national and state business delegations.